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Reference TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 Your Ref Y08/1255/SH/JL

It was with interest that I received your letter of 31st December 2 weeks ago referring to the "Retention of use of a building as one flat and one maisonette". Until early last year this property which is adjacent to my home was always a single purpose dwelling and indeed the gentleman who purchased it did, on the only occasion that I have spoken to him, tell me that he had paid for a 4 bedroom house and that it would be more difficult to rent as such than it would as flats. This was when I said I hoped that he wasn't proposing turning it into flats as I had no desire to have living quarters next to my bedroom.

However I have come to believe certain councillors are a law unto themselves as I know the owner of the said property Mr Philip Martin is a councillor and knew that he needed planning permission to carry out the work but he went ahead and converted the property without applying for this and one of the tenants now residing there is an employee of another councillor Mr Hugh Barker, at his Opticians practice in Guildhall Street. I have spoken to councillor Sue Wallace on several occasions and she confirmed that no planning permission had been requested. Should I or any other member of the general public for that matter alter their property without prior permission I am sure the outcome would be very different to what is likely to happen in this case.

My objection is that after over 30 years of living in my home I now face the fear of noise in living quarters next to my bedroom as I don't now sleep as well as I would like and noise obviously disturbs me. I have to say that at present the people living next door are both pleasant and quiet but will this always be the case?

I know this may seem trivial to you all but the arrogance with which this has been carried out only annoys me more and common courtesy is one of the few things I think we should expect as a right. I feel Mr Martin has abused his position on the council and should at the very least have some forfeit placed upon him.

Yours Sincerely

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